

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: 24/06288/FUL
Date: 23 May 2025 08:31:26
Attachments: [shield-advisory.png](#)
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☐ Contains topics of a financial nature ☐

Hi [REDACTED]

I see that work has started on the Edinburgh Academy fields.

I just wanted to write to you and the council to thank you for all your support and answering my questions.

It is great to have such a kind understanding council. It really makes a difference.

Once again, thank you so much.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

> On 21 Mar 2025, at 20:57, [REDACTED] wrote:

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> Hello [REDACTED]

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> "The proposed floodlights would result in an unacceptable loss of visual amenity and would be detrimental to residential amenity due to late evening activity, contrary to Policy H11 of the Central Edinburgh Local Plan and Policy Hou 8 of the finalised Edinburgh City Local Plan"

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> Thank you and I look forward to discussing this with you.

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> Yours sincerely

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> [REDACTED]

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> [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Planning application 24/06288/FUL
Date: 27 May 2025 20:59:33
Attachments: [shield-advisory.png](#)
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[chevron-light.png](#)

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Dear [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the Edinburgh Academy hockey pitches and other facilities which are the subject of this planning application, approved on 19 March. Work is already under way.

I have two immediate questions:

1. Why were my [REDACTED] not provided with a Neighbour Notification of this application, on property we directly overlook?
2. Without prejudice to any other views we may wish to express, can you assure me that the time restrictions on the use of floodlighting imposed at the time of the original planning approval in 2010 still apply?

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED] /06288/FUL
Date: 29 May 2025 13:51:13
Attachments: [shield-advisory.png](#)
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Dear [REDACTED],

I wonder if you are in a position to reply to my query below. I should say there is considerable disquiet (not to say anger) among the 30 flats in this development, immediately adjacent to the pitches, that we were neither consulted nor notified, and so an early reply would be appreciated.

Please feel free to ring me on [REDACTED] if that is helpful.

[REDACTED]

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, 27 May 2025 at 20:59
Subject: Planning application 24/06288/FUL
To: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Planning application 24/06288/FUL
Date: 02 June 2025 13:19:41
Attachments: [shield-advisory.png](#)
[chevron-light.png](#)

Good afternoon,

I hope you are both well.

I have this enquiry about neighbour notification asking why the number [REDACTED] did not received anything?

Any chance you could please double check if we have covered everything within 20metre radius?

Thank you,

Weronika

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 May 2025 14:32
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Planning application 24/06288/FUL

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☐ First time sender ☐

Dear [REDACTED]

I live at [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] overlooks the Edinburgh Academy hockey pitches and other facilities which are the subject of this planning application, approved on 19 March.

Last week I saw that the artificial pitches were being replaced and thought given I had not heard anything from the council or the academy that this was purely a replacement of the artificial pitches.

I am now aware that the scope of the project is far wider (with work underway) and has been subject to a planning application which has been approved without any notification or consultation with our development.

The immediate question that comes to mind is:

Why were my [REDACTED] not provided with a Neighbour Notification of this application, on property we directly overlook?

We feel strongly we should have been consulted and will try to engage with the academy at the earliest opportunity.

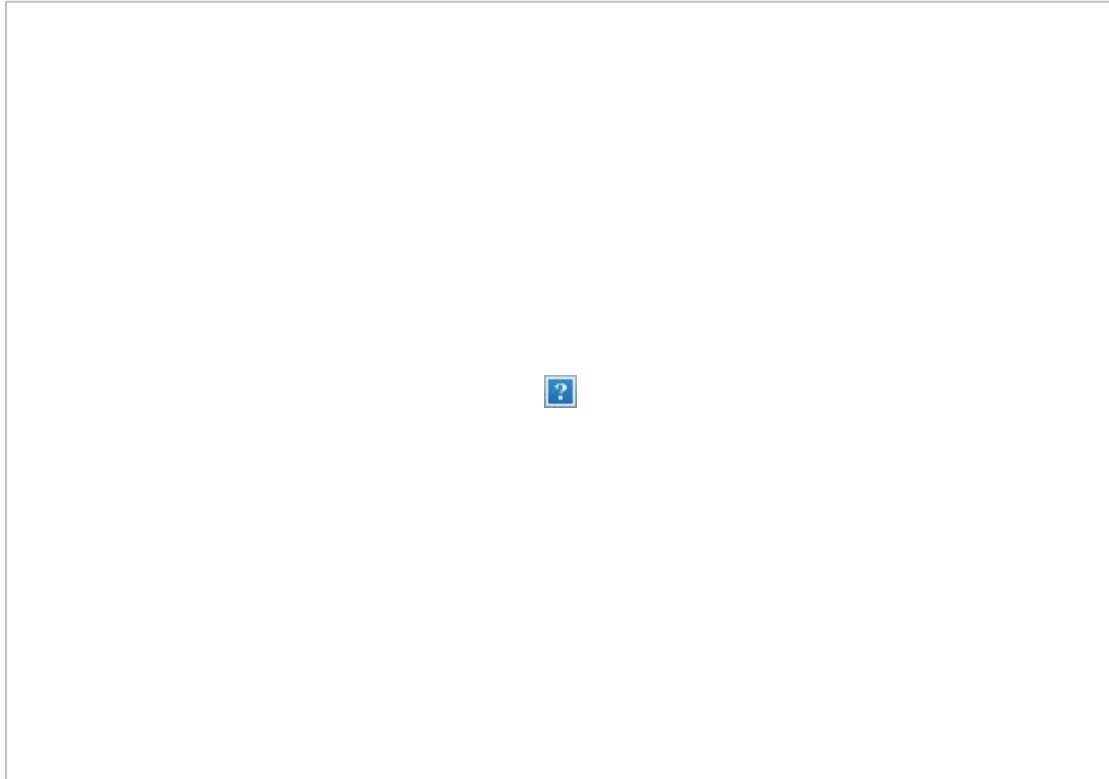
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Planning application 24/06288/FUL
Date: 02 June 2025 14:09:09
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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[image003.png](#)

Hi [REDACTED]

It looks like [REDACTED] are out with the 20 m buffer zone for neighbour notification.

Thanks!



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2025 13:20
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Planning application 24/06288/FUL

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Any chance you could please double check if we have covered everything within 20metre radius?

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <allensabroad@gmail.com>
Sent: [REDACTED] 14:32
To: Weronika Myslowiecka <Weronika.Myslowiecka@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Planning application 24/06288/FUL



External email



From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: 24/06288/FUL
Date: 04 June 2025 12:13:57
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your correspondence. An assessment has been conducted, and all relevant details are documented in the handling report.

The proposed floodlights are intended to enhance illumination while minimizing light spillage. The floodlight columns have been designed with features to reduce visual impact. Although the columns are of considerable height, the assessment concludes that, in accordance with current planning policies, they do not significantly compromise visual amenity or adversely affect the conservation area.

Additionally, the proposal involves replacing existing columns, which means there is already an established visual impact. The new design aims to improve upon the current situation while respecting the character of the area.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 March 2025 20:58
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: 24/06288/FUL

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Hello [REDACTED]

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Thank you and I look forward to discussing this with you.

Yours sincerely

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[Redacted signature]

[Redacted signature]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 24/06288/FUL
Date: 10 June 2025 10:40:24
Attachments: [shield-advisory.png](#)
[chevron-light.png](#)

FYI

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 June 2025 13:59
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: 24/06288/FUL

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your timing of your reply is interesting. 2.5 months later and progress is well underway on the pitches.

The main disappointment with you and the EA is the lack of dialogue and understanding of options you considered. Were new retractable columns ever considered and discussed? I don't know the answer to that and I'd like to know.

Also my question has still not been answered by you. I repeat below.

Regards

[REDACTED]
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On 4 Jun 2025, at 12:14, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] wrote:

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Regards,

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place (Turner)
Date: 12 June 2025 10:52:55

(24/06288/FUL and withdrawn 24/04833/FUL, FYA)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 June 2025 16:52
To: Planning
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place [REDACTED]

Good afternoon,

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Secondly, I have been asked to question the lack of condition on restricting the hours of operations as per the previous application when the previous set of lights were granted.

Many thanks for your time and any assistance,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Edinburgh Academy Hockey Pitches lighting
Date: 26 June 2025 11:08:31
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
[FW Edinburgh Academy Hockey Pitches lighting.msg](#)
Importance: High

(FYA)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 June 2025 08:08
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Edinburgh Academy Hockey Pitches lighting
Importance: High

Good morning

The constituent is looking for a response for this, can you please provide? Councillor [REDACTED] and I have both chased this a few times.

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2025 16:32
To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Edinburgh Academy Hockey Pitches lighting
Importance: High

Good afternoon

Councillor [REDACTED] requires a response for this in order to respond to her constituent, can you please provide?

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

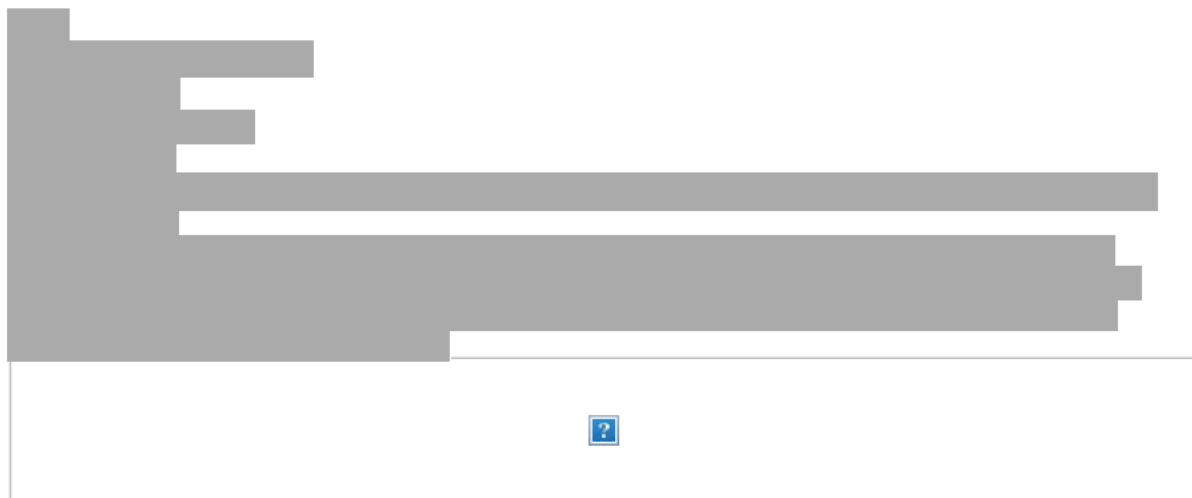
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 June 2025 10:52
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Edinburgh Academy Hockey Pitches lighting

Hi Again

The constituent has been back in touch, please could someone respond to the email I sent last week?

Thanks



From: [redacted]
Sent: 05 June 2025 13:53
To: [redacted]
Subject: Edinburgh Academy Hockey Pitches lighting

Dear [redacted]

Please can you help me with understanding what has happened here as I am not on the planning committee – or point me in the direction of the officer who made the decision?

Extract from email from constituent

The picture below, taken an hour or so ago, shows the current state of play in the refurbishment of Edinburgh Academy's hockey pitches, where new floodlights are being installed. Telescopic, retractable lights were forced on the Academy in 2010 to protect the character and appearance of the conservation area. They are now being replaced with 15-metre non-retractable fixed lighting columns, which will in due course be painted dark green, we are told.

The planning permission for this was granted on 19 March. [redacted]

[redacted] we were neither notified or consulted, because of the 20-metre notification rule. (We are about 30 metres away from the pole you see in the centre of the picture.)

*The Handling Report says this: "The proposed changes represent minor alterations to the site. By virtue of their size, location and suitable materials, the works would not have a detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the conservation area." (Assessment, point a, page 5). And the Heritage Report, supplied by the Academy, says this: "The changes will have no effect upon other key characteristics of the conservation area, and will not affect any intentionally framed views **or long distance panoramic views to the Edinburgh skyline.**" In respect of the whole of Fettes Rise, the second part of this statement is manifestly untrue. How on earth could this possibly have been allowed to happen? Why, by complete contrast with 2010, was only light spillage considered when agreeing to fixed lighting columns and not the daytime impact on the appearance of the conservation area?*

I should add that only 4 poles are up now. There will be 12.

Thank you in advance



From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Comments for Planning Application 24/06288/FUL
Date: 01 July 2025 16:58:22
Attachments: [ufm59_RPDECN- Decision Letter for Objectors.pdf](#)
[image001.jpg](#)
[image002.jpg](#)

Please see below and attached which was sent to my generic bounce back email address for public access comments.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 July 2025 15:27
To: Public Access Alerts
Subject: Re: Comments for Planning Application 24/06288/FUL

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing as someone who previously objected to this planning application which was subsequently approved. Clearly the school needed to replace the pitch and lighting due to natural wear and tear. However, my objection was purely based on the failure to respect the previous application back in 2007-2010 where the installation of telescopic lights was required to pass the application. Nothing has changed since then and yet you passed this year the use of fixed (non-telescopic) lights. Being in high summer and after the end of summer term, it is difficult to judge the effectiveness and spillage of the new lights since they are not currently being used. However, the lack of telescopic mounts means the lights loom over all of us around the playing fields - I attach photos of them from my front and side doors, both before the painting and after and hope you appreciate they create a field of poles over the two pitches.

Whilst the green colour was appropriate when the poles were telescopic (they blended into the trees surrounding the pitches), it is most inappropriate now they are fixed since green amplifies their presence when viewed against the sky - ironically, the initial silver colour was mildly better in this respect.

I am also concerned about the structural integrity of the poles - they are very thin compared to the sturdy telescopic predecessors. I hope strong winds, as occur around here regular in the late autumn to early spring, do not lead to any pole being damaged and so damaging any adjacent person or structure beneath.

I trust these issues can lead to a better solution, i.e. installation of telescopic poles so like replaces like.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On 15 Jan 2025, at 21:44, publicaccess.alerts@edinburgh.gov.uk wrote:

Comments for Planning Application 24/06288/FUL

Dear Sir/Madam,

[REDACTED]

You have been sent this email because you or somebody else has submitted a comment on a Planning Application to your local authority using your email address. A summary of your comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 15/01/2025 9:44 PM from [REDACTED].

Application Summary

Address:	Newfield Recreation Grounds 60 Inverleith Place Edinburgh
Proposal:	Replacement of lighting columns /lamps to two synthetic pitches with new slimline steel columns, directional LED lamps, replacement of synthetic turf surfaces and associated hardstanding, resubmission to 24/04833/FUL.
Case Officer:	Local1 Team

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Customer Details

Name:

Email:

Address:

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour-Residential

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: Edinburgh Academy Sports field Lights

We are writing to object to the plan to install new lights for the sports field adjacent to our property. We recognise the importance of sport for children and have no objection to the broad planning submission with replacement of pitches.

We note that Edinburgh Academy (EA) did not contact us in advance to discuss this, in contrast to contacting our predecessor, [REDACTED] on 11 September 2007.

Our complaint is to do with the change in lighting design from a telescopic light (retracted 6.5 m height, extended 15m high) to a fixed/non-telescopic 15m high design.

The original lights, as planned in 12 October 2007, were not telescopic but following various complaints from [REDACTED] and comments from [REDACTED] changes to the design, among others, were made to make the lights telescopic. As such, the application by EA was approved and granted on 10 June 2010.

Nothing material has changed since 2007-2010 and now yet the design for the second of the two 2024 plans is to install non-telescopic lights of 15m tall. The 04-Proposed Elevations. pdf clearly shows how much higher the 15m lights are as compared to the adjacent 3m high fence and 1.2 m high spectator barrier. This second application makes much of two factors:

- 1) The existing extendable lights are unreliable suffering from mechanical breakdown. Just as the proposed LED lights will be superior to the existing metal halide ones, modern telescopic mechanisms will be superior with far greater utility than the existing ones. So there is no reason to not retain a telescopic mechanism in a modern design.
- 2) The new slimline poles will have a "neutral visual effect". Clearly this is incorrect, especially to this of us who live right next to the pitches. They will be clearly visible and higher than local trees.

We acknowledge that the light spill should be much less, as per 05-Spillage comparison.pdf and Appendix A-Floodlighting performance report.pdf. This is commendable for when the lights are on. However, none of the documents, including the Application.pdf, address the change from telescopic to non-telescopic lights.

Our objection stands on the basis of the precedence from the earlier/2010 Council granting and now the lack of a like-for-like appearance. In essence, the lights will be obtrusive when not on and will be non-compliant with the Council's previous approval when nothing else has changed. Following discussions, we note that [REDACTED] similarly concerned with a permanent profile of multiple 15m tall lighting poles.

Kind regards

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place [REDACTED]
Date: 25 July 2025 15:45:38

Dear [REDACTED]

I met with some of the residents and [REDACTED] at Fettes Rise earlier in the week. I have an action to look into matters further – which I am doing at present. I will update you following that.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 July 2025 15:10
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place [REDACTED]

I've just been made aware that another councillor was already/also asking about this so I do apologise for duplication. Indeed, I was also referred the case by an MSP and said I was already asking about it. Alas.

Thanks for sharing.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 July 2025 09:24
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Thank you for your email and apologies for the delay in getting a response to you. [REDACTED] is on leave and the countersigning officer, [REDACTED], has retired. As I've been involved with several queries on this case whilst [REDACTED] has been on leave, I've picked up your

query also. Your constituent did write to the Council separately on this and the response is attached.

On the matter of notification, the attached includes the following:

You are concerned that residents of those properties were not notified of the above planning application as neighbours and only became aware of it after the grant of planning permission and when construction vehicles appeared on the site. You cannot reconcile the Council's practice on Neighbour Notification with Scottish Government Guidance in Planning Circular 03/2022.

Neighbour Notification of planning applications is subject to The Town and Country Planning (Development Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, with government guidance in the circular you refer to. For the application, the flats at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] were not sent a notification letter. This was because the buildings are further than 20m metres from the boundary of the application site (the distance referred to in the regulations) and because it was unclear to the Council's Planning Service when we carried out the neighbour notification whether the space to the south of the flats was in the control of these properties. Where notice does not require to be served on neighbours, because of this, we are required to publicise the application by newspaper advert and site notice. The Council's position is that given the intervening land (the control of which was unclear) and distance between those properties and the application site, it was the appropriate procedure to instead publicise the application by advert and site notice as set out in regulation 18(2)(b) of the above mentioned regulations, rather than directly notify properties that lay outside the statutory distance for notification. This requirement was complied with, the application was advertised on 10 January 2025 and a site notice was posted on the same date.

In respect of your further points on this the statutory requirement is the 20 metres distance. The guidance comments on this as you quote below. The critical factor in this case is the intervening land as described above.

On the matters of amenity (previous restriction of hours) the Report of Handling (also attached) gives the assessment of the application and the material considerations, including on residential amenity.

You'll note that I have advised [REDACTED] of the next stage of the Council's complaints procedure should he wish to pursue this further,

Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Planning <planning@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: 12 June 2025 10:53

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: FW: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place [REDACTED]

(24/06288/FUL and withdrawn 24/04833/FUL, FYA)

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 11 June 2025 16:52

To: Planning <planning@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: 24/04833/FUL. Newfield Recreation Grounds, 60 Inverleith Place [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [Planning VIP](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Fettes Rise - Floodlight Issue (Case Ref: TG11378)
Date: 01 October 2025 14:03:40
Attachments: [shield-advisory.png](#)
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Hi

Please can you respond to the below email.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 October 2025 13:03
To: Planning Response <Planning.Response@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: Place Directorate <Place.directorate@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Planning VIP <planning.vip@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Fettes Rise - Floodlight Issue (Case Ref: TG11378)

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Dear Planning team,

Thank you for your email.

[REDACTED] is concerned that he did not see the publicly available notice. Would it be possible to provide some information about where the notice was posted?

All the best,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Planning Response <Planning.Response@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 18 September 2025 11:54
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Place.directorate@edinburgh.gov.uk, planning.vip@edinburgh.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Fettes Rise - Floodlight Issue (Case Ref: TG11378)

Good afternoon [REDACTED]

Thank you for this query.

Although no exact location is provided my understanding is the floodlight referred to in this query relates to Edinburgh Academy playing fields which lie to the south of Fettes Rise.

The floodlighting referenced by [REDACTED] appears to have planning permission. Details of the development can be viewed on the Council's online [Planning & Building Standards Portal](#), searching application reference 24/06288/FUL. Planning permission was granted on 19 March 2025 and the developer submitted a notice of initiation of development to the Planning Authority on 07 April 2025 (both publicly available on the planning portal).

I would recommend [REDACTED] could refer to the information that supported the application including plan references 03 and 04 which identify floodlighting design positions and plan 05 which compares light spillage of the previous floodlights and new lights. The proposal was supported by a Floodlighting Performance Report as well which may be of interest.

The planning authority's Report of Handling for the application is also available to view online (accessed via the above noted portal using the application reference). Neighbouring amenity and consideration of the conservation area are addressed in the report.

Having reviewed the terms of the planning permission should [REDACTED] consider the proposal is not compliant with the terms of the planning permission, a possible breach of planning control can be reported to the Council via our [website](#).

Ordinarily I am aware that light [nuisance can be reported](#) to the Council's Environmental Protection service, however that service currently notes on its website that current service constraints mean investigating such matters is not possible at the moment.

Finally, sometimes approaching the developer directly can assist in resolving neighbour complaints and it may be worthwhile approaching the floodlight operators to understand if there is a way to resolve the matter.

I hope this information is of assistance.

Kind regards

Helpdesk planner

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 September 2025 17:00
To: Place Directorate <Place.directorate@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Fettes Rise - Floodlight Issue (Case Ref: TG11378)

Our Ref: TG11378

Good afternoon,

I am writing with regard to my constituent [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who has contacted me about a floodlight on Fettes Rise.

Please find their enclosed correspondence below.

I would be grateful if you could investigate this issue and consider [REDACTED] concerns about the conservation area and the impact of this floodlight.

Yours sincerely,

Tracy

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Fettes Rise - Floodlight Issue (Case Ref: TG11378)
Date: 06 October 2025 10:00:17
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Hi [REDACTED],

[REDACTED] met with at least one of the complainants on site so best to get some feedback on that. My last comments are as per the email that went out and cc'd to all,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 October 2025 16:07
To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Fettes Rise - Floodlight Issue (Case Ref: TG11378)

Dear [REDACTED],

I've received a VIP email regarding the floodlights enquiry. I've also seen a chain of emails over the past few months on the same issue. Could you advise what I should say in my response and what has been discussed so far?

My understanding is that the query concerns neighbour notification, which has already been explained. I've also noticed there may have been a meeting with residents. I want to avoid sharing any incorrect details.

Could you provide any guidance or a summary of what has been discussed or perhaps I can just go ahead and replay about our procedure in terms of neighbouring notification?

Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]